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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a method of producing a faster curing rubber article.

The method comprises providing a non-productive elastomeric compound (10, 12) and a co-reacting cure package comprising co-reacting agents. The non-productive elastomeric compound (10, 12) is cured to form a cured elastomeric compound (20). The cured elastomeric compound (20) is cured to form the faster curing rubber article. The non-productive elastomeric compound (10, 12) is prepared with a co-reacting agent of a co-reacting cure package not added to the other non-productive compound (12 or 10). The non-productive elastomeric compounds (10, 12) are layered in alternating layers with a thickness relative to the diffusion rate of the co-reacting agents in each non-productive elastomeric layer (10, 12) to effect diffusion of the co-reacting cure agents through the alternating layers to form the cured elastomeric compound (20). The cured elastomeric compound (20) is cured to form the faster curing rubber article.